

**Panel on Manpower  
List of follow-up actions**

**Government's response**

**Item 6: Enforcement of labour legislation by the Labour  
Administration Branch of the Labour Department**

The amount of wage default and the number of employees involved with respect to the 565 convictions secured by the Labour Department for wilful defaults of wage payment in breach of the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57) in 2020

The Labour Department (LD) has not maintained statistics on the information sought. In the prosecution of wage offences, a single case may involve more than one employee and an employee may be involved in more than one summons. After prosecution has been initiated, individual employees in a case may not continue to act as prosecution witnesses owing to different reasons, and at times the sum of wage default may have to be amended because of new evidence. As the amount of wage default and the number of employees involved in a prosecution case may vary from time to time, LD does not keep these statistics.